#### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

1441. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Financial Management and Comptroller, Department of Defense, transmitting written notification of advance billing, reasons for the advance billing, an analvsis of the effects of the advance billing on military readiness, and an analysis of the effects of the advance billing on the customer. pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2208; to the Committee on Armed Services.

1442. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter on the approved retirement of Vice Admiral Timothy W. LaFleur, United States Navy, and his advancement to the grade of vice admiral on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

1443. A letter from the Deputy Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting reports in accordance with Section 36(a) of the Arms Export Control Act, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

1444. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule-Disclosure of Return Information to the Bureau of the Census [TD 9188] (RIN: 1545-BE-01) received March 14, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1445. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Br., Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Transition Relief for Certain Partnership and Other Pass-Thru Entities under Section 470 [Notice 2005-29] received March 14, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1446. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule - United States dollar approximate separate transactions method [Notice 2005-27] received March 14, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1447. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications & Regulations Br., Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule Changes in accounting periods and in methods of accounting. (Rev. Proc. 2005-17) received March 14, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1448. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Project nominations under the Brownfields Demonstration Program for Qualified Green Building and Sustainable Design Projects [Notice 2005-28] received March 14, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1449. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule - Diversification Requirements for Variable Annuity, Endowment, and Life Insurance Contracts [TD 9185] (RIN: 1545-BB77) received March 2, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1450. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Br., Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule - Modification of Notice 2005-04 [Notice 2005-24] received March 2, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1451. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Br., Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — 2005 Calendar Year Resident Population Estimates [Notice 2005-16] received March 2, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1452. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Br., Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule - Tsunamis Occurring on December 26, 2004, Designated as a Qualified Disaster under Section 139 of the Internal Revenue Code [Notice 2005-23] received March 1, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1453. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting the Annual Report to the Congress on Foreign Economic Collection and Industrial Espionage. pursuant to Public Law 103-359, section 809(b) (108 Stat. 3454); to the Committee on Intelligence (Permanent Select).

1454. A letter from the Board Members, Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting the 2004 report of the Board for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2003, pursuant to the provisions of section 7(b)(6) of the Railroad Retirement Act and section 12(1) of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act; jointly to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure and Ways and Means.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. SENSENBRENNER: Committee on the Judiciary, S. 256. An act to amend title 11 of the United States Code, and for other purposes (Rept. 109-31 Pt. 1).

### DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XII the Committee on Financial Services discharged from further consideration. S. 256 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed.

## PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin (for himself and Mr. CARDIN):

H.R. 1532. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for collegiate housing and infrastructure grants: to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia (for

himself and Mr. WAXMAN):

H.R. 1533. A bill to ensure jobs for our future with secure and reliable energy: to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. COBLE:

H.R. 1534. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain synthetic staple fibers that are not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. COBLE:

H.R. 1535. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on acrylic or modacrylic synthetic filament tow; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. COBLE:

H.R. 1536. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain synthetic staple fibers that are carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning: to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. COBLE:

H.R. 1537. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on nitrocellulose; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. ISRAEL (for himself and Mrs. LOWEY):

H.R. 1538. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the exemption amounts for individuals under the alternative minimum tax; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. McCARTHY:

H.R. 1539. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to the responsibilities of a pharmacy when a pharmacist employed by the pharmacy refuses to fill a valid prescription for a drug on the basis of religious beliefs or moral convictions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. GARY G. MILLER of California (for himself and Mr. CALVERT):

H.R. 1540. A bill to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act to provide procedures for claims relating to drinking water; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

#### MEMORIALS

Under clause 3 of rule XII, memorials were presented and referred as follows:

14. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Kansas, relative to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1607 memorializing the Congress of the United States to take such action that Corporal Travis Eichelberger, USMC, may retain the Purple Heart medal awarded to him; to the Committee on Armed Services.

15. Also, a memorial of the Senate of the State of Ohio, relative to Senate Resolution No. 36, a notice that the members of the Ohio Senate are joining "Team DSCC," a team of municipal corporations, businesses, organizations, and state and local leaders protecting the Defense Supply Center Columbus (DSCC) from the Base Realignment and Closure process; to the Committee on Armed Services.

16. Also, a memorial of the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, relative to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 26 memorializing the United States Congress to provide for a national entity to establish and enforce mandatory, national electric transmission reliability standards and to ensure federal oversight of that entity and federal authority to require transmission owner participation in a regional transmission organization; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

17. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Arizona, relative to Senate Memorial 1001 memorializing the Congress and President of the United States to enact the Collegiate Housing and Infrastructure Act; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

# ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 13: Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. BARROW, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, and Mr. CAMP.